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BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
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Re: **New U.S. Patent Application of**  
**Inventor(s): Jeffrey A. Bedell, et al.**  
**Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR EFFICIENT DATA RETRIEVAL AND**  
**PROCESSING**

Dear Sir:

Attached is a new application for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, including twenty (20) pages of specification, four (4) pages of claims (1-20), an Abstract, four (4) sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-6), an unexecuted Joint Declaration for Patent Application, and a Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2). No filing fee is provided herewith.

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Jeffrey A. Bedell, et al. ) Group Art Unit: To Be Assigned  
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Serial No.: NEW ) Examiner: To Be Assigned  
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For: System and Method for Efficient Data Retrieval and Processing

**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)**

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the above-referenced patent application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. Thus, I hereby request that the above-referenced patent application not be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b).

In the event any fees are due in connection with this Request, please charge such fees to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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